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VANDERLINDE-1

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WILLIAM E. VANDERLINDE

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Filing Date

09-17-2003

Art Unit

Examiner Name

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SAMPLE-STAGE FOR SCANNING ELECTRON MICROSCOPE

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which



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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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### SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: WILLIAM E. VANDERLINDE  
Application No./Patent No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed/Issue Date: 09-17-2003  
Entitled: SAMPLE-STAGE FOR SCANNING ELECTRON MICROSCOPE  
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TITLE:

SAMPLE-STAGE FOR SCANNING ELECTRON MICROSCOPE

INVENTOR:

WILLIAM E. VANDERLINDE

I, the undersigned inventor, in consideration of the rights of the Government of the United States acquired by virtue of the circumstances under which the above-identified invention was made, hereby:

1. Assign to the Government of the United States, as represented by the Director, National Security Agency, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in and to the above-identified invention and application for patent and all Letters Patent issuing thereon, and any continuation, continuation-in-part or division of said application and any reissue or extension of said Letters Patent.

2. Agree to provide any further information within my knowledge and to execute any further documents necessary to the prosecution of patent applications on the invention, the prosecution and settlement of the interferences and recording of title to patent applications and patents.

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DATE: 9-17-2003

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On 17 SEPT 2003 (date), known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument duly appeared before me and acknowledged to me that he or she executed the same as their own free act and deed.

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